

Kitsap County Auditor Mission

Serving the people of Kitsap County by providing essential services in a manner that ensures quality, accountability and accessibility.

The Elections Division administers all federal, state, county, municipal and special purpose district elections in Kitsap County.

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Online Resources

The Kitsap County Auditor’s Office and the State of Washington provide several online resources for candidates and voters for the latest elections information.

Online candidate filing allows candidates to submit forms, filing fees, candidate statements and photos electronically. In 2017 online filing was the choice of almost 60 percent of Kitsap candidates.

Site - bit.ly links are case sensitive.

Site Address

Kitsap County Elections.....	bit.ly/KitsapElections
Online Candidate Filing	bit.ly/KitsapFiling
Email/Text Updates.....	kitsapgov.com – click ‘News Sign Up’
Facebook.....	facebook.com/KitsapCountyAuditor
Twitter	twitter.com/KitsapAuditor
YouTube	youtube.com/KitsapAuditor
Washington Secretary of State.....	sos.wa.gov
Washington Public Disclosure Commission	pdc.wa.gov
Revised Code of Washington (RCW)	apps.leg.wa.gov/rcw/default.aspx
Washington Administrative Code (WAC)	apps.leg.wa.gov/wac/default.aspx

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Election, Measure and Candidate Filing Dates

2018 – Candidate Filing Dates

May 14 – 18

2019 – Candidate Filing Dates

May 13 – 17

2018 Election Dates	Deadline to Submit Measures	Ballots Mailed By
August 7, 2018 Primary	May 11, 2018	July 20, 2018
November 6, 2018 General Election	August 7, 2018	October 19, 2018

2019 Election Dates	Deadline to Submit Measures	Ballots Mailed By
February 12, 2019	December 14, 2018	January 25, 2019
April 23, 2019	February 22, 2019	April 5, 2019
August 6, 2019 Primary	May 10, 2019	July 19, 2019
November 5, 2019 General Election	August 6, 2019	October 18, 2019

[RCW 29A.04.321](#), [RCW 29A.04.330](#)

Ballot Measure District Responsibilities

Measure Arguments

Local districts requesting ballot measures are required to appoint committees to write arguments for and against each measure by the last day to submit the resolution. The district should appoint people known to favor the measure and appoint people known to oppose it.

Each committee can have as many as three people appointed. If the district fails to appoint a committee, the county auditor will attempt to make the appointment. [RCW 29A.32.280](#)

Ballot Titles and Explanatory Statements

Each district requesting a ballot measure will submit a ballot title with the resolution requesting an election. The district is required to also submit an explanatory statement prepared by the attorney for the district. [RCW 29A.32.241](#)

Filing for Office

Candidate filing week is May 14 – 18

Filing Electronically

RCW 29A.24.040

Online filing allows candidates to submit their forms electronically and pay their filing fees using a credit card.

Electronic filing begins at 9 a.m., May 14 and ends at 4 p.m., May 18. For more information visit: bit.ly/KitsapElections

Filing In-Person

RCW 29A.24.050

Candidates may file **in person**, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., May 14 – 18 at the Kitsap County Auditor's Office.

File by Mail or Fax

RCW 29A.24.081

- Candidates may file in advance **by mail** beginning April 30.
- Candidates may file **by fax** from 8 a.m., May 14 to 4:30 p.m., May 18.
- Applicable filing fees are due by the close of candidate filing – 4:30 p.m., May 18.
WAC 434-208-060

Where to File for Office

RCW 29A.24.070

- Candidates for federal and state offices file with the Secretary of State, with the exception of 23rd Legislative District candidates, who file with the Kitsap County Auditor.
- Candidates for Supreme Court and Court of Appeals file with the Secretary of State.
- Candidates for countywide offices, including the Kitsap County District Court, file with the Kitsap County Auditor.

Filing Fees – all filing fees are non-refundable

RCW 29A.24.091, RCW 29A.24.131

Fees are based on the salary of the office at the time of filing.

- The filing fee for an office with a salary of more than \$1,000 is 1 percent of the annual salary.

Example: The filing fee for a position with an annual salary of \$40,698 is \$406.98.

- There is a \$10 filing fee for offices with a salary of \$1,000 or less.
- There is no filing fee for unpaid positions.

Petition in Lieu of Fee

RCW 29A.24.091

Candidates who lack sufficient income to pay the filing fee may submit a Nominating Petition. The petition must contain one signature for every dollar of the filing fee. Signatures must be of registered voters in the district you are filing for.

Example: A petition submitted for a \$406.98 filing fee must have 406 valid signatures of registered voters within the jurisdiction of the office.

Contact Information for Filing Week

Business Hours

8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Monday – Friday

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Filing for Office

Residency Requirements

- At the time of filing for office, candidates must be registered to vote in the district represented by the office they seek, with the exception of **Superior Court Judges**, who may reside anywhere in Washington state. [RCW 2.08.200](#), [RCW 42.04.020](#), [Washington State Constitution, Article 2, Section 7](#)
- **County Commissioner** and **Public Utility District Commissioner** candidates must reside within the **defined internal boundaries** of the district.

Special Filing Period

If no candidate files for a position that is scheduled for election by the deadline to withdraw, the county Auditor will call for a special three-day filing period. [RCW 29A.24.181](#)

Partisan Offices

If after the special three-day filing period no candidate files for a partisan office, the vacancy is filled by appointment and is open for filing the following year.

[RCW 29A.24.191](#)

Nonpartisan Offices

If no one files for a position after the special filing period, that position will not appear on the Primary nor General Election ballots. The incumbent is designated to serve until the next election held for that jurisdiction.

[RCW 29A.24.141](#), [RCW 29A.24.201](#), [RCW 29A.52.231](#)

Write-In Candidates

Write-in votes can only be counted for candidates who file a declaration of write-in candidacy. Write-in candidates may file for free after candidate filing week until 18 days before an election.

Beginning 18 days before an election and ending at 8 p.m. on Election Day, fees apply.

- \$25 for elected positions paying less than \$1,000 annually.
- 1% of salary for elected positions paying more than \$1,000 annually.
[RCW 29A.24.091](#), [RCW 29A.24.311](#)

Write-in Votes

Write-in votes are not required to be tallied unless the total number of write-in votes could affect the outcome of the contest.

[RCW 29A.60.021](#)

Withdrawal Period

Any candidate who wishes to withdraw his/her candidacy must do so in writing no later than 4:30 p.m., May 21, the Monday after filing week. Filing fees are not refundable. There is no withdrawal period for declarations filed during a special filing period. [RCW 29A.24.131](#)

Washington State Declaration of Candidacy

how to complete the form

1. candidate information

Your name and address must match your voter registration.

Update your voter information prior to submitting a declaration of candidacy.

You are responsible for ensuring that you meet all qualifications of the office.

2. campaign information

If you do not provide campaign information, your information as a registered voter will be used. A telephone number, email address, or website is not required, but recommended.

Government office addresses may not be used for campaigns.

3. ballot information

Print the jurisdiction, the office name and any position or district number defining the office for which you are a candidate. The responsibility for filing for the correct office is yours.

Print your name exactly as you wish it to appear on the ballot. Nicknames are acceptable.

Titles denoting occupations, including military rank, positions on issues, political affiliation, symbols, or anything intentionally designed to mislead voters are not acceptable.

party preference information:

For a partisan office, you may choose to state a political party that you personally prefer. A preference does not imply that you have been nominated or endorsed by the party, or that the party approves of or associates with you.

If you choose to state a party preference, enter the name of the party (limited to 16 characters).

Example

Washington State Declaration of Candidacy			
1 candidate information as registered to vote	James	Noothername	Doe
	first name	middle	last
	100 Main Street Apt Q		Anywhere 99999
	residential address	city / zip	
2/1/1950	James4Office@anywhere.com	555-4444	
date of birth	email address	phone number	
2 campaign contact information for publication	207 555-6666		James4Office@anywhere.net
	campaign phone	campaign email	
	PO Box XYZ	Anywhere 99999	
	mailing address if different from residential address	city / zip	
	www/Jamesisthebest/elect.net		
	campaign website		
3 ballot information	Legislative Dist 40	Representative	2
	jurisdiction	office name	position number
	Jimmy (James) Doe		
	exact name I would like printed on the ballot		
political party I prefer to be printed on the ballot, if filing for partisan office:			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Prefers E x a m p l e Party			
<input type="checkbox"/> States No Party Preference			
4 filing fee	<input type="radio"/> The office has no filing fee		
	<input checked="" type="radio"/> A filing fee of \$ 454.74 accompanies the declaration of candidacy		
	<input type="radio"/> I lack sufficient funds and submit a filing fee petition in lieu of the filing fee under RCW 29A.24.091		
5 oath	I declare that the above information is true, that I am a registered voter residing at the address listed above, that I am a candidate for the office listed above, and that, at the time of filing this declaration, I am legally qualified to assume office.		
	I swear, or affirm, that I will support the Constitution and laws of the United States, and the Constitution and laws of the State of Washington.		
sign here	James M. Doe		date here 5/11/2016

Your party preference will appear in parenthesis below your name. The first letter of each word or abbreviation will be capitalized (e.g., Democratic or Ind.). Acronyms will be printed in all capital letters.

If you do not choose to state a party preference, "(States No Party Preference)" will be printed on the ballot.

No changes to party preference will be accepted between the primary and the general election.

4. filing fee

Fill in the appropriate circle.

Applicable filing fees must accompany the declaration of candidacy.

If you lack sufficient funds at the time of filing, you may petition per RCW 29A.24.091 / RCW 29A.24.101.

5. oath

Read, sign, and date the oath. The declaration of candidacy is not complete and ready for submission until signed.

District Voter Totals

District/Jurisdiction	No of Precincts	Registered Voters March 2018
U.S. Senate	214	163,749
U.S. Congressional District 6	214	163,749
State Legislative District 23	109	91,981
State Legislative District 26	56	46,741
State Legislative District 35	49	25,027
Kitsap County	214	163,749
County Commissioner District 3	71	52,869
Assessor, Auditor, Clerk, Prosecuting Attorney, Sheriff, Treasurer	214	163,749
Judicial Offices	214	163,749
Supreme Court Justice 2,8,9	214	163,749
Court of Appeals, Division 2 District 2, Judge Position 2	214	163,749
Kitsap County District Court Positions 1-4	214	163,749
Kitsap County Public Utility District	214	163,749
Commissioner District 3	71	52,869



Precinct maps and a list of Precincts within Congressional, Legislative and Commissioner Districts are available here: bit.ly/KitsapDistricts

Eligible Voters by Office

Office/Position	Voters in the Primary	Voters in the General
United States Senator	Entire County	Entire County
U.S. Congressional District 6	Entire County	Entire County
State Legislature: 23rd Legislative District 26th Legislative District 35th Legislative District	23rd Legislative District 26th Legislative District 35th Legislative District	23rd Legislative District 26th Legislative District 35th Legislative District
County Commissioner District 3 Assessor, Auditor, Clerk, Coroner, Prosecuting Attorney, Sheriff, Treasurer	District 3 Entire County	Entire County Entire County
Judicial Offices – State and County	Entire County	Entire County
Kitsap County Public Utility District No. 1, Commissioner District 3	District No. 3	Entire County
Precinct Committee Officer	Precinct Only	No General Election

Duties and Qualifications of Elected Officials

U.S. Senator, Representative

Duties: The U.S. Constitution assigns the Senate and House of Representatives equal responsibility for declaring war, maintaining the armed forces, assessing taxes, borrowing money, minting currency, regulating commerce, and making all laws necessary for the operation of the government.

Qualifications: A U.S. Senator must be at least 30 years old and a U.S. citizen for nine years. A U.S. Representative must be at least 25 years old and a U.S. citizen for seven years. Both must be residents of the state from which they are elected.

U.S. Constitution, Article 1, Sections 2, 3 & 8

State Senator, State Representative

Duties: Introduce bills during each session of the Legislature. Public hearings are held, issues are debated, and votes are taken. Bills that pass both houses of the Legislature are sent to the Governor for signature.

Qualifications: Candidate must be a citizen of the United States and a qualified voter in the district for which he or she is chosen. Washington State Constitution, Article 2, Section 7, RCW 29A.24.075

County Commissioner

Duties: County Commissioners are the legislative body and chief administrators of the county. Adopt annual budgets and county ordinances for traffic, zoning, planning and public safety. Oversee public works, human services, community development, and parks departments. RCW 36.32

Qualifications: At the time of filing for office, candidate must be registered to vote in the district represented by the office they seek. RCW 29A.24.075

Assessor, Auditor, Clerk, Coroner, Prosecuting Attorney, Sheriff, Treasurer

Duties: The duties and responsibilities of county elected officials are prescribed by the Washington State Constitution and by the Revised Code of Washington for each individual office.

Qualifications: At the time of filing for office, candidate must be registered to vote in the district represented by the office they seek.

County Commissioner and Public Utility District Commissioner candidates must reside within the **defined internal boundaries** of the district.

Prosecuting Attorney Candidates must be registered to vote in Kitsap County and also be admitted to practice in the courts of record of Washington state. RCW 29A.24.075, RCW 36.27 Washington State Constitution, Article 11

Supreme Court Justice

Duties: The Supreme Court reviews laws for consistency with the Constitution.

Qualifications: Candidate must be registered to vote and be admitted to practice in the courts of record of Washington state. Washington State Constitution, Article 4, Section 17

Duties and Qualifications of Elected Officials

Court of Appeals Judge

Duties: The Court of Appeals hears appeals on decisions of lower courts.

Qualifications: Candidate must be registered to vote and be admitted to practice in the courts of record of Washington state.

Washington State Constitution, Article 4, Section 17

District Court Judge

Duties: The District Court has criminal jurisdiction over misdemeanor crimes, traffic infractions, criminal traffic and other non-traffic infractions as prescribed by the Washington State Constitution and by the Revised Code of Washington.

Qualifications: Candidate must be registered to vote in Kitsap County and be admitted to practice in the courts of record of Washington state. Washington State Constitution, Article 11, RCW 3.34.060

Public Utility District Commissioner

Duties: Planning and study of the conservation of water and power resources for the people in Kitsap County. Work with the state Legislature and local water districts to manage the supply of water and electricity for all uses.

Qualifications: At the time of filing for office, candidate must be registered to vote in the district represented by the office they seek.

RCW 29A.24.075, RCW 54.12.010

Precinct Committee Officer

Duties: Elect a chair and vice chair of their political party's county and legislative district central committees.

Qualifications: At the time of filing for office, candidate must be registered to vote in the precinct represented by the office they seek.

RCW 29A.80.041

Voter Age/Gender Statistics as of March 2018

Total Registered Voters: 163,749

Age Range	18-29	30-39	40-49	50-59	60-69	70 & Over
Registered Voters	25,070	25,476	24,096	30,306	31,532	27,269
Percentage	15.31%	15.56%	14.72%	18.51%	19.26%	16.65%

Gender	Female	Male	Unknown
Registered Voters	84,673	79,060	16
Percentage	51.71%	48.28%	0.01%

Approximate totals are subject to change.

Offices and Positions Open for Filing

Federal Offices – File with Secretary of State in Olympia			
Office	Incumbent (Party Preference)	Filing Fee	Term
U.S. Senator	Maria Cantwell (Prefers Democratic Party)	\$1,740.00	6-year term
U.S. Representative Congressional District 6	Derek Kilmer (Prefers Democratic Party)	\$1,740.00	2-year term
State Legislature – District 23 – File with Kitsap County Auditor			
Office	Incumbent (Party Preference)	Filing Fee	Term
State Representative Position 1	Sherry V. Appleton (Prefers Democratic Party)	\$477.76	2-year term
State Representative Position 2	Drew Hansen (Prefers Democratic Party)	\$477.76	2-year term
State Legislature – District 26 – File with Secretary of State in Olympia			
Office	Incumbent (Party Preference)	Filing Fee	Term
State Senator	Jan Angel (Prefers Republican Party)	\$477.76	4-year term
State Representative Position 1	Jesse Young (Prefers Republican Party)	\$477.76	2-year term
State Representative Position 2	Michelle Caldier (Prefers Republican Party)	\$477.76	2-year term
State Legislature – District 35 – File with Secretary of State in Olympia			
Office	Incumbent (Party Preference)	Filing Fee	Term
State Senator	Tim Sheldon (Prefers Democratic Party)	\$477.76	4-year term
State Representative Position 1	Dan Griffey (Prefers Republican Party)	\$477.76	2-year term
State Representative Position 2	Drew C. MacEwen (Prefers Republican Party)	\$477.76	2-year term
Kitsap County – File with Kitsap County Auditor			
Office	Incumbent (Party Preference)	Filing Fee	Term
County Commissioner District 3	Ed Wolfe (Prefers Republican Party)	\$1,327.47	4-year term
Assessor	Phil Cook (Prefers Republican Party)	\$1,268.90	4-year term
Auditor	Dolores Gilmore (Prefers Democratic Party)	\$1,268.90	4-year term
Clerk	Alison H. Sonntag (Prefers Democratic Party)	\$1,268.90	Short and full 4-year term

Offices and Positions Open for Filing

Kitsap County (continued) – File with Kitsap County Auditor			
Office	Incumbent (Party Preference)	Filing Fee	Term
Coroner	Greg Sandstrom (Prefers Republican Party)	\$1,268.90	4-year term
Prosecuting Attorney	Tina R. Robinson (Prefers Republican Party)	\$1,691.87	4-year term
Sheriff	Gary Simpson (Prefers Democratic Party)	\$1,353.49	4-year term
Treasurer	Meredith R. Green (Prefers Democratic Party)	\$1,268.90	4-year term
State of Washington Judicial Offices – File with Secretary of State in Olympia			
Office	Incumbent	Filing Fee	Term
Supreme Court Justice Position 2	Susan Owens	\$1,866.81	6-year term
Supreme Court Justice Position 8	Steve Gonzalez	\$1,866.81	6-year term
Supreme Court Justice Position 9	Sheryl Gordon McCloud	\$1,866.81	6-year term
Court of Appeals, Division 2 District 2, Judge Position 2	Thomas Bjorgen	\$1,777.08	6-year term
Kitsap County Judicial Offices – File with Kitsap County Auditor			
Office	Incumbent	Filing Fee	Term
District Court Judge Department 1	Claire A. Bradley	\$1,610.92	4-year term
District Court Judge Department 2	Jeffrey J. Jahns	\$1,610.92	4-year term
District Court Judge Department 3	Marilyn G. Paja	\$1,610.92	4-year term
District Court Judge Department 4	Kevin P. Kelly	\$1,610.92	Short and full 4-year term
Kitsap County Public Utility District – File with Kitsap County Auditor			
Office	Incumbent	Filing Fee	Term
Public Utility District No. 1 Commissioner District 3	Lloyd S. Berg	\$198.00	6-year term
Precinct Committee Officer (PCO) – File with Kitsap County Auditor			
Precinct Committee Officer		N/A	2-year term

Local Voters' Pamphlet – Candidate Statements

Publishing a Local Voters' Pamphlet

A printed copy of the Local Voters' Pamphlet is mailed to all households within the election 18 days prior to each Primary and General Election. Statements appear in the printed Local Voters' Pamphlet and Online Ballot Access.

[RCW 29A.32.210](#), [RCW 29A.32.260](#)

Submitting Your Candidate Statement

You will receive a confirmation email with a link to submit the statement once your candidate filing has been approved. You may use the link provided, or submit your statement directly to Kitsap Elections.

Statements consist of:

1. Photograph
2. Campaign Contact Information
3. Biography
4. Statement

Statement Specifications

- *Italics* may be used for emphasis.
- Bulleted lists, bold, underline, all-caps text and multiple indentations are not allowed and will be reformatted.
- Tables and graphs are not allowed.
- Hyphenated words count as two words unless listed as one word by dictionary.com.
- Statements exceeding the word limit are shortened by deleting full sentences from the end until the limit is reached.
- Statements containing obscene, profane, libelous or defamatory language will be rejected. [RCW 29A.32.090](#)
- Candidate Statements must be limited to statements about the candidate himself or herself. [RCW 29A.32.090](#), [RCW 29A.32.230\(3\)](#)

Submission Deadline

- **May 29:** Deadline for candidates to submit statements, photos.
- A final proof is provided to candidates that must be approved within three business days otherwise it is approved as submitted.
[WAC 434-381-180](#)



Voters' Pamphlet deadlines are intended to promote timely publication and may be adjusted.

Local Voters' Pamphlet – Candidate Statements

Sample Statement



George Washington

(States no Party Preference)

Phone: 000-000-1789

Email: george@washington.pres

Website: washington.pres

Biography – Elected Experience: President, United States, 1789-1797; Virginia provincial legislator, 1758-1765.

Other Professional Experience: Senior Officer, U.S. Army, 1798-1799; Commander-in-Chief, Continental Army, 1775-1783;

Education: Elementary School-level education achieved through tutors. Trained in mathematics, trigonometry, surveying, drafting and map-making.

Community Service: Delegate to First Continental Congress (1774) and Second Continental Congress (1775).

Statement: The period for a new election of a citizen to administer this elected office being not far distant, and the time actually arrived when your thoughts must be employed in designating the person who is to be clothed with that important trust, it appears to me proper, especially as it may conduce to a more distinct expression of the public voice, that I should now apprise you of the resolution I have formed to beg your consent in returning to elected office.

In office I will promote as an object of primary importance, institutions for the general diffusion of knowledge. In proportion as the structure of a government gives force to public opinion, it is essential that public opinion should be enlightened.

Be assured that this resolution has not been taken without a strict regard to all the considerations appertaining to the relation which binds a dutiful citizen to his country. I have the consolation to believe that, while choice, prudence and the strange reality of my newfound immortality invite me to quit the political scene, patriotism does not forbid my return. I ask for your vote.

1. Photograph

You may submit a self-portrait of your head and shoulders. Use a light-colored background, but not white. Photos must be no more than five years old. A color photo is preferred.

Digital photos must be a minimum 300 dpi resolution and no smaller than 2.5 inches x 3 inches. Your photo may not be digitally altered.

Pins, robes, signage, uniforms or insignias suggesting the wearer has held public office are not allowed. [RCW 29A.32.110](#)

2. Campaign Contact Information

Candidates may submit contact information consisting of a phone number, email address, and website. Contact information does not count towards the word limit.

3. Biography

You may submit a 100-word biography using the following headings, which may be omitted:

- Elected; or Legal/Judicial Experience*
- Other Professional Experience
- Education
- Community Service

* 'Legal/Judicial Experience' heading for judicial candidates only.

4. Statement

You may submit a statement in addition to your photo, contact information and biography. Statement word limits are established by state law:

- 100 words (2 paragraphs): State Rep.
- 200 words (4 paragraphs): All other offices.

[RCW 29A.32.121](#)

Candidate Videos

Candidates may submit video statements in addition to their written statements. See page 16 for details.

Local Voters' Pamphlet – Measures

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Measure arguments are published online only for Special Elections.

Committee Information

The legislative authority of a district that submits a ballot measure must appoint committees to draft arguments 'for' and 'against' the measure. Committees are limited to three members and shall appoint a chairperson as the primary point of contact.

If the district is unable to appoint a committee, they must notify the Auditor's Office in writing. [RCW 29A.32.280](#)

Argument Word Limit

- 250 words (five paragraphs) including no more than four headings.
- Headings may not exceed 15 words and count towards the word limit.
- Headings are printed in bold type.

Rebuttal Word Limit

- 75 words (one paragraph).
- No headings are permitted.
- Rebuttals may only address issues raised in the opposing argument.

Argument and Rebuttal Specifications

- *Italics* may be used for emphasis.
- Bulleted lists, bold, underline, all-caps text and multiple indentations are not allowed and will be reformatted.
- Hyphenated words count as two words unless listed as one word by [dictionary.com](#).
- Photographs and charts are permitted. Each square inch of chart or photograph will substitute for 50 words.
- Arguments and rebuttals exceeding the word limit are shortened by deleting full sentences from the end until the limit is reached.
- Statements containing obscene, profane, libelous or defamatory language will be rejected.



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2018 Submission Deadlines

Election Date	Aug. 7	Nov. 6
Committee Appointment	May 11	Aug. 7
Pro/Con Argument	May 21	Aug. 13
Rebuttal	May 29	Aug. 20

A final proof is provided to committees that must be approved within three business days otherwise it is approved as submitted.

- Contact Kitsap Elections for Special Election deadlines.

Local Voters' Pamphlet – Measures

1. Ballot Title

The Ballot Title is submitted by the district and reviewed by the Kitsap County Prosecuting Attorney for all districts *except* cities.

2. Explanatory Statement

The Explanatory Statement is prepared by the Kitsap County Prosecuting Attorney for county measures and by the attorney for the district for all other measures.

3. Arguments

Arguments 'for' and 'against' the measure are prepared by committees that are appointed by the district submitting the measure.

Once approved by the Auditor's Office, arguments are transmitted to opposite committees to draft rebuttals.

4. Rebuttals

Committees draft rebuttals to arguments prepared by the opposite committee.

Rebuttals may only address topics presented in the opposite committee's argument and may not introduce new topics.

5. Contact Information

Committee Contact information is optional and may include a committee name, chairperson and member names, website, email, phone number, and mailing address.

Sample Argument

Ballot Measures

Kitsap County

Proposition No. 1 Charter Amendment Official Ballot Title

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Should this proposition be:

- Approved
- Rejected

Explanatory Statement

(Prepared by the Attorney for the district as prescribed by law.)

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Argument For the Measure

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5 Arguments prepared by the Committee For the Measure Chairperson Wing Luke; Committee Member Clara Barton; Committee Member James Munroe. Further questions may be addressed by contacting committeefor@committee.com, 360-789-0566-7890.

Argument Against the Measure

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¹ The Auditor's Office is not responsible for the content of arguments or their factual and grammatical accuracy.



Committee Videos

Committees may submit video arguments in addition to their written arguments. See page 16 for details.

Candidate and Measure Videos

Candidates and committees may submit video statements in addition to their printed statements.

Video statements are included in Online Ballot Access, a digital ballot delivery system that also allows voters to access Voters' Pamphlet information.

Online Ballot Access uses the highest level of internet security and is fully accessible for use by voters with disabilities.

Video Specifications

- Video statements must be substantially the same as the written statements.
- Candidate videos must not exceed 3 minutes.
- Committee videos must not exceed 3 minutes, 30 seconds and may include rebuttals.
- No pins, robes, signage, uniforms or insignias suggesting the wearer has held public office. [RCW 29A.32.110](#)
- Preferred file types are Flash Video File: flv or f4v.
- Maximum file size is 128 MB.

Bremerton – Kitsap Access Television

An alternative to filming your own video is to contact Bremerton – Kitsap Access Television (BKAT) to schedule a video shoot. BKAT charges to film, edit and submit videos. Each video recording session is 20 minutes. Bring a thumb drive with a minimum of 1 GB of storage to save your video. For more information, or to schedule a video shoot, contact BKAT.

Filming sessions are available by appointment:
Primary: May 21 – 29.
General: August 8 – 17.

Bremerton – Kitsap Access Television

Jon Rauch

Jon.Rauch@ci.bremerton.wa.us

360-473-5026

Note: BKAT will submit videos they film to the Kitsap County Auditor – Elections Division.

Cost: \$50, cash or check only.

Video Submission Deadlines

Candidate and Committee Videos

- **June 5:** Deadline to submit videos for the Primary Election.
- **August 24:** Deadline to submit videos for the General Election.
- Contact Kitsap Elections for Special Election deadlines.



Voters' Pamphlet and video deadlines are intended to promote timely publication and may be adjusted.

Offices and Ballot Names

Order of Candidate Names

A candidate's name may appear only once on a ballot, except for a temporary elected position or Precinct Committee Officer.

The order of candidate names on the ballot is determined by lot. The lottery drawing is conducted publicly at 4:30 p.m., May 18 at the Kitsap County Auditor – Elections Division Office. [RCW 29A.36.131](#)

Partisan Offices – Primary

A Primary is held if one or more candidates file for a position. [RCW 29A.52.112](#)

Candidates for each office will appear on the ballot in the order determined by lot.

[RCW 29A.36.131](#)

Nonpartisan Offices – Primary

A Primary is held if three or more candidates file for a position. If no more than two candidates file, they appear only on the General Election ballot in the order determined by lot. [RCW 29A.52.220](#)

If No Primary is Held

Candidates for offices that did not appear on the Primary ballot will appear on the General Election ballot in the order determined by lot.

Certification of State Candidates and Measures

The Secretary of State must certify state measures and candidates to appear on the General Election ballot by August 24.

[RCW 29A.60.240](#)

General Election Ballots – Partisan and Nonpartisan Offices

If a Primary is held, candidates for all offices must receive at least 1 percent of the total votes cast for their position in order to appear on the General Election ballot.

The two candidates receiving the greatest number of votes will appear on the General Election ballot in the order of highest votes received. [RCW 29A.36.170](#)

Jurisdiction Placement on Ballots

All city, town and junior taxing districts shall hold their elections in the odd-numbered year, except **Public Utility Districts**, which hold their election in even-numbered years.

[RCW 29A.04.330](#)

Order of Jurisdiction Placement on Ballots

[RCW 29A.36.121](#), [RCW 29A.36.161](#)
State and countywide measures are placed before all offices on the ballot in the following order:

- Statewide Measures
- Countywide Measures

Offices are placed on the ballot in the following order:

- Federal
- State Offices
- County Offices
- State Judicial
- County Judicial
- Public Utility Districts
- Precinct Committee Officer

* Offices are placed before measures for local jurisdictions.

Political Sign Regulations

Read the written code and contact the governing organizations listed below for specifics on size, type and placement options before making your signs. Contact the Public Disclosure Commission for regulations on political sign and campaign literature wording.

Unincorporated Kitsap County

Contact: Department of Community Development
Phone: 360-337-5777; **Fax:** 360-337-4925
Email: Kshadbol@co.kitsap.wa.us
Web: codepublishing.com/wa/kitsapcounty/,
Title 17.510.060(F).

Install: Private property: no larger than 32 square feet. County right-of-way: no metal signs, metal supports, metal or wire frames. No signs larger than 4 square feet and may not extend higher than 40 inches from the point in which they are placed in the ground to the top of the sign.

Remove: No later than 10 days after an election. Primary winners have until 10 days after the General Election.

Washington State Department of Transportation

Contact: Trevor McCain
Phone: 360-705-7282
Email: mccaint@wsdot.wa.gov
Web: <http://www.wsdot.wa.gov/NR/rdonlyres/4F13177A-7ACF-48AA-81B7-24CC191B3143/0/campaignletter.pdf>
Area: All state highways within Kitsap County – 3, 16, 166, 104, 160, 303, 304, 305, 307, 308, 310 and that portion of Kitsap Way from Highway 3 to Callow Avenue.

Install: Property owner must approve. Maximum size of 32 square feet. No signs allowed in state highway right-of-way. Signs shall not resemble any official traffic sign, signal or other control device.

Remove: No later than 10 days after an election. Primary winners have until 10 days after the General Election.

Additional Detailed Information:

[RCW 47.42](#), [WAC 468-66](#), [RCW 47.36.180\(1\)](#)

City of Bainbridge Island

Contact: City of Bainbridge Island Planning and Community Development
Phone: 206-842-2552; **Fax:** 206-780-0955
Email: pcd@bainbridgewa.gov
Web: <http://www.codepublishing.com/WA/BainbridgeIsland/#!/BainbridgeIsland15/BainbridgeIsland1508.html#15.08>

Install: Not allowed on utility poles, traffic control devices, lamp posts, public buildings or structures. Posting within public right-of-way must not interfere with sight distances or create a vehicular or pedestrian traffic hazard. Permission to place a sign in the right-of-way must be obtained from the abutting property owner. Signs in the right-of-way are limited to 6 square feet and a height of 5 feet.

Remove: No later than seven days after an election. Primary winners have seven days after the General Election.

City of Bremerton

Contact: City of Bremerton Department of Community Development
Phone: 360-473-5289; **Fax:** 360-473-5278
Email: Garrett.Jackson@ci.bremerton.wa.us
Web: codepublishing.com/WA/Bremerton, see [Title 20.52.85, Sign Standards](#).

Install: Maximum size is 32 square feet with a maximum height of 6 feet. Political signs shall not interfere with sight distances or create a vehicular or pedestrian hazard.

Remove: Sign components and materials shall be kept in good repair; free of holes, chipping, cracking, peeling, fading, rusting or nonfunctional components detectable from beyond the property line. Signs in violation of this section shall be removed or repaired by the sign owner or the owner of the premises.

Political Sign Regulations

City of Port Orchard

Contact: City of Port Orchard Planning Department
Phone: 360-874-5533; **Fax:** 360-876-4980
Email: planning@cityofportorchard.us
Web: codepublishing.com/wa/portorchard, see Title 20.132.270 Temporary Signs.

Install: City right of way: staked signs up to 4 square feet, not higher than 3 feet, in unpaved portions. Abutting property owner approval recommended. Same size rules in single-family areas, height up to 5 feet. Signs in multifamily residential areas up to 6 square feet and 5 feet high. No more than 32 square feet of signage in a single site. Signs on large properties up to 64 square feet.

Remove: Signs shall be removed if needing repair, worn or creating a public nuisance.

City of Poulsbo

Contact: City of Poulsbo Planning Department
Phone: 360-394-9748; **Fax:** 360-697-8269
Email: planninginfo@cityofpoulsbo.com
Web: codepublishing.com/wa/poulsbo/ Title 18.170.080(G)

Install: Political signs may be installed only after the candidate has officially filed for office for the current election, or after the resolution for a ballot measure has been officially submitted.

Political signs may be placed on private property or within public right-of-way so long as they do not obstruct the view or passage of pedestrians, cyclists or motorists.

Remove: No later than five days after an election. Primary winners have until five days after the General Election.

Recounts

Mandatory Recount

A mandatory recount by machine occurs when candidates or state measures are separated by:

- Less than 2,000 votes, AND
- Less than 1/2 of 1 percent of the votes cast. [RCW 29A.64.021](#),

Mandatory Manual Hand Recount

For statewide offices or measures when candidates or responses are separated by:

- Less than 1,000 votes, AND
- Less than 1/4 of 1 percent of the votes cast. [RCW 29A.64.021](#),

For local offices when candidates are separated by:

- Less than 150 votes, AND
- Less than 1/4 of 1 percent of the votes cast. [RCW 29A.64.021](#),

Requests for a Recount

When a mandatory recount is not required, an officer of a political party or any person who received votes may file a written application for a recount of the votes, or a portion of the votes cast in that election for all candidates for election to that office.

- Any group of five or more registered voters may apply for a recount of the votes or a portion of the votes cast for a ballot measure. The application must specify a manual or machine recount and be submitted no later than two business days after the official certification of the election. [RCW 29A.64.011](#)
- A deposit of \$0.15 for a machine recount or \$0.25 for a manual recount for each ballot cast in the recount shall be made at the time of filing the application. The deposit shall be applied to the cost of the recount and the remaining cost, if any, will be billed to the requester. [RCW 29A.64.030](#)

Campaign Regulations and Public Disclosure

Reporting requirements

The specific forms a candidate files with the Public Disclosure Commission (PDC) depend on what office the candidate seeks and how much money the candidate raises.

Office Applying for:	DO I FILE:		
	Personal Financial Affairs Statement (F-1)?	Candidate Registration (C-1)?	Contribution (C-3) and Expenditure (C-4) reports?
1. State office 2. Legislative office 3. County office, Judicial office 4. Office in a political subdivision* that includes the entire county, or 5. Office in a political subdivision with at least 5,000 registered voters	YES**	YES	Only if you wish to raise and spend more than \$5,000, or accept more than \$500 from a source other than your personal funds.
Office in a political subdivision* with less than 5,000 registered voters and I will raise at least \$5,000***	YES**	YES	YES
Office in a political subdivision* with less than 5,000 but at least 1,000 registered voters and I will raise less than \$5,000***	YES**	NO	NO

Candidates do not have to file if the office is in political subdivisions with less than 1,000 voters, and the candidates will raise less than \$5,000.***

* A “political subdivision” is the entire district (city, school district, etc.), not just the single position within the legislative body.

** A person who filed an F-1 earlier in the calendar year does not file again as a candidate.

*** Includes the candidate’s own money. See [RCW 42.17A.135\(7\)](#) and [WAC 390-16-320](#) for more information.

Filing

All forms, including the C-1 and F-1, may be filed electronically. Candidates spending at least \$5,000 are required to electronically file (e-file) C-3 and C-4 reports. The PDC provides free e-filing tools and blank forms under 'File Online' at pdc.wa.gov. File the C-1, F-1, and other reports only with the PDC – the county filing requirement was eliminated in 2010.

Filing Deadline

File the F-1 and C-1 within two weeks of whichever event happens first: accepting a contribution, spending money on your campaign (including personal funds), reserving space for your campaign, publicly announcing your candidacy, or filing your declaration. C-3 and C-4 reports are filed according to the 2018 Reporting Dates found under 'Important Dates' at the PDC website.

Full Reporting Contribution Limits

Office	Limit
Legislative, County and Local District Candidates	\$1,000
Judicial Candidates	\$2,000

Contribution limits are for each election (Primary, General) and apply to any contributor other than the candidates themselves or a bona fide party committee.

Public Disclosure Commission

P.O. Box 40908

Olympia, WA 98504

Phone: 360-753-1111, 1-877-601-2828

Email: pdc@pdc.wa.gov

Web: pdc.wa.gov

Oaths of Office

When Elected Officials Assume Office

Office/Position	Date
U.S. Congress	January 3, 2019 <u>U.S. Constitution, Amendment 20</u>
Washington State Legislature All Judicial Positions	January 14, 2019 <u>RCW 44.04.021, RCW 2.04.071, RCW 3.34.070</u>
County Officials Public Utility District Commissioner	January 1, 2019 <u>RCW 29A.60.280, RCW 54.12.100</u>

When Administered

Oaths of Office may be administered up to 10 days prior to the scheduled date of assuming office, or at the last regular meeting of the governing body of the applicable district held before the winner assumes office. An Oath of Office is administered to candidates filling an unexpired position, or short and full-term position upon certification of the election. A second Oath of Office is administered to candidates filling a short and full-term position prior to assuming office for the full term. RCW 29A.04.133, RCW 29A.60.270, RCW 29A.60.280

Who Administers

An Oath of Office may be administered by a notary public or any officer authorized to administer oaths including judges, county commissioners, county auditors or deputies, town clerks, and school officials. RCW 29A.04.133

Where the Oath of Office is Filed

Office/Position	Where Oath Is Administered/Filed
U.S. Congress	Verbal oath upon convening of Congress.
Washington State Legislature	Verbal oath upon convening of Legislature.
Judicial Offices	Written Oath filed with the Office of the Secretary of State <u>Washington State Constitution, Article 4, Section 28</u>
County Officials Public Utility District Commissioner	Written oaths are filed with the Kitsap County Auditor. <u>RCW 36.16.060, RCW 54.12.100</u>
Precinct Committee Officer	Contact applicable major party.

State Measures Become Law

State measures approved by the voters become law upon proclamation of the governor unless the effective date is contained within the text of the measure. RCW 29A.60.260

Ballots

Ballot Availability

Ballots are mailed to all registered voters no later than 18 days before an election.

[RCW 29A.40.070](#)

Replacement Ballots

A voter may request a replacement ballot for themselves or any member of their immediate family by contacting the Kitsap County Auditor – Elections Division. [WAC 434-250-080](#)

Early Mail Ballots

Voters who believe they would not receive a regular ballot in time to vote may request an early ballot.

- The request must be provided in writing to the Kitsap County Auditor – Elections Division no earlier than 90 days prior to an election.
- The early ballot contains only those offices, candidates and measures known at the time of the application.
- A regular ballot is also mailed to the voter. If the regular ballot is returned as a voted ballot, it is processed and the early ballot is voided. [RCW 29A.40.050 \(4\)](#), [WAC 434-250-030](#)

Processing Mail Ballots

In order for a ballot to be counted, the voter must sign the declaration on the ballot envelope.

Signed ballot envelopes containing voted ballots must be postmarked by Election Day or delivered to a ballot drop location no later than 8 p.m. on Election Day. [RCW 29A.40.110](#)

Missing Postmark

If the postmark on a ballot envelope is missing or illegible, the signature date determines the date mailed. [RCW 29A.40.110](#)

Validation

Each envelope is examined for postmark and signature. The signature on a return envelope is matched with the voter's registration signature on file. [RCW 29A.40.110](#)



See contact information on page 1 for questions regarding ballots.

Military and Overseas

Ballots are mailed to military and overseas voters 45 days prior to a Primary or General Election, or 30 days prior to a Special Election. [RCW 29A.40.070](#)

Military and overseas voters may request to receive their ballots by email. These ballots may be returned via email, fax or standard mail. Ballots returned by email or fax must be received by 8 p.m. on Election Day.

Military and overseas ballots returned by mail do not require a postmark; however, the ballot declaration must be signed and dated by Election Day to be counted.

Online Ballot Access

Online Ballot Access allows registered voters to access ballots and Kitsap County Voters' Pamphlet information electronically.

Through Online Ballot Access, voters may verify if their ballots have been received by Kitsap County Elections using the Ballot Tracker feature.

Online Ballot Access is fully accessible for use by voters with disabilities.

To learn more during an election cycle, visit: <http://bit.ly/KitsapElections> and click 'Online Ballot Access.'

Voter Data and Election Results

Purchasing Voter Data

Orders may be placed by email, in person, or fax and may require up to three days to complete.

Affidavit

A signed affidavit that voter information will not be used for commercial purposes is required. [RCW 29A.08.740](#)

Format

Information is provided in a text format that is easily imported into programs such as Excel, Access and Word.

Fees

- There is no fee for data sent electronically.
- Voter data sent by mail costs \$0.15 per page, plus postage.
- Payment must be received before the order is fulfilled.

Data Options

Numerous data options are available:

District Choices: All districts and precincts within Kitsap County.

Report Types: Voting record, registered voters, and voters by district are among the many options.

Available Data: Name, address, political jurisdiction, gender, date of birth, voting record, date of registration, and registration number are available.

Confidential Data: Phone numbers and email addresses are confidential and not available for request. [RCW 29A.08.710](#)

Map Orders

District maps are available on our website or by email at no charge.

Printed maps are available in various sizes. Prices vary according to size:

- \$10 for District Maps up to 34 x 44 inches.
- \$2.50 for each 11 x 17 inch map.
- \$0.15 for each 8.5 x 11 inch Precinct Map.
- Maps sent by mail require postage.
- Payment must be received before the order is fulfilled.

Election Results

Local election results dating back to 1998 are on our website: bit.ly/KitsapElections, then click '**Archive of Election Results.**'

For local election results prior to 1998, contact **Washington State Archives:**

- sos.wa.gov/archives.
- psbrancharchives@sos.wa.gov.
- 425-564-3940.

Statewide Election Results

Statewide election results from 1900 to present are available on the Secretary of State's website:

- sos.wa.gov/elections/press.aspx



See contact information on page 1 to request voter data from Kitsap County Elections.

Voting Centers and Accessible Voting

During elections, secure Accessible Voting Units that produce a voter verified paper trail and provide accessibility capabilities are available to all voters including voters with disabilities at following locations:

Before Election Day

Beginning 18 days prior to Election Day, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday:

- Kitsap County Auditor – Elections Division.
- Mobile voting locations throughout the county. Visit bit.ly/KitsapElections and select 'Elections' for a list of locations.

Election Day Only

7 a.m. to 8 p.m.:

- Kitsap County Auditor – Elections Division
- Poulsbo Fire Station

24-Hour Ballot Drop Boxes

Beginning 18 days before each election, ballot drop boxes remain open 24 hours a day until 8 p.m. on Election Day. There are 17 ballot drop boxes located throughout Kitsap. More are in the works. Ballot drops provide a secure way for voters to deposit ballots. No postage is required. Our ballot drop boxes also meet accessibility requirements for voters with disabilities. The following list is current as of this printing. For updated information, go to bit.ly/kitsapboxes.

NORTH

Bainbridge Island

Bainbridge Island School District
8489 Madison Avenue NE
Bainbridge Island, WA 98110

Hansville

Norwegian Point Park
38950 Hansville Road NE
Hansville, WA 98340

Kingston - Village Green

Village Green Park
10810 NE West Kingston Road
Kingston, WA 98346

Kingston - Miller Bay Road

North Kitsap Fire & Rescue
26642 Miller Bay Road NE
Kingston, WA 98346

Suquamish

Suquamish Tribal Council Building
18490 Suquamish Way NE
Suquamish, WA 98392

Poulsbo

Poulsbo Fire Station
911 NE Liberty Road
Poulsbo, WA 98370

CENTRAL

Silverdale

Central Kitsap School District
Administration Building
9210 Silverdale Way NW
Silverdale, WA 98383

Tracyton

Bremerton Elks, Lodge 1181
4131 Pine Road NE
Bremerton, WA 98310

East Bremerton

Kitsap Regional Library, Sylvan Way
1301 Sylvan Way
Bremerton, WA 98310

Downtown Bremerton

Norm Dicks Government Center
345 6th Street
Bremerton, WA 98337

Navy Yard City

West Side Improvement Club
4109 West E Street
Bremerton, WA 98312

SOUTH

Port Orchard

Kitsap County Auditor's Office
619 Division Street
Port Orchard, WA 98366

East Port Orchard

SKFR Station 8
1974 Fircrest Drive SE
Port Orchard, WA 98366

Manchester

Manchester Stormwater Park
2399 Colchester Drive East
Manchester, WA 98353

Southworth

11564 SE State Highway 160
(Near WSF Southworth Terminal)
Southworth, WA 98386

Glenwood

SKFR Station 17
7990 McCormick Woods Drive SW
Port Orchard, WA 98367

Burley

14972 Bethel-Burley Road SE
(Near the Burley Store)
Burley, WA 98367

Voter Registration

Who May Vote

To be eligible to vote, one must register and be:

- A citizen of the United States.
- A legal resident of the state of Washington.
- At least 18 years old on Election Day.
- Not under the authority of the Department of Corrections for a Washington felony conviction.
- Not disqualified from voting due to a court order. [RCW 29A.08.230](#)

How to Register

- Online at vote.wa.gov.
- Complete a mail-in registration form available at libraries, city halls, public schools, fire district offices and at the Kitsap County Auditor's Office.
- When you renew your driver's license.

When to Register

- Individuals may register to vote at any time.
- The following deadlines apply for upcoming elections:

29 days before an election: Deadline for mail and online voter registrations, updates and changes.

8 days before an election: Deadline for new Washington state voter registrations (in person only).

[RCW 29A.08.140](#)

Change of Address

Registered voters that change their residence or mailing address within Kitsap County may provide the new address to the Elections Division. [RCW 29A.08.410](#)

Name Change

If you have legally changed your name, complete a new voter registration application, or provide the information that is on an application: name, residence and an updated signature. Your new signature is used to validate your ballot. [RCW 29A.08.440](#)

To Cancel Your Voter Registration

A voter must provide a signed request to cancel his or her registration. In the case of a deceased voter, a family member may provide written and signed authorization to request cancellation. [RCW 29A.08.510\(3\)](#)
[WAC 434-324-111](#)

New Legislation

On July 1, **2019**, new voter registration rules will allow for same-day voter registration and for Washington residents 16 and older to pre-register to vote.



See contact information on page 1 for questions regarding voter registration.

Elections Calendar – 2018

April

- 30..... **Candidate Filing by Mail** – First day candidate filings may be submitted by mail. [RCW 29A.24.081](#)
- 30..... **Precinct Boundaries** – Last day to make precinct boundary changes before November General Election. [RCW 29A.16.040](#)

May

- 11..... **File a Resolution** – Last day to file a resolution for the August Primary. [RCW 29A.04.330](#)
- 11..... **Measure Arguments** – Deadline to appoint committees to draft measure arguments or notify Auditor’s Office if unable to appoint committees to draft arguments for August Primary. [RCW 29A.32.280](#)
- 14 – 18..... **Candidate Filing** – Regular candidate filing period. [RCW 29A.24.050](#)
- 21..... **Deadline to Withdraw** – Last day for candidates to withdraw. [RCW 29A.24.131](#)
- 21..... **Measure Arguments** – Deadline to submit ballot measure arguments and committee contact information for August Primary. [WAC 434-381-120](#)
- 22..... **Certification of Candidates** – Certification of Primary candidates by Secretary of State. [RCW 29A.36.010](#)
- TBD **Three-day Filing Period** – Special three-day filing period for non-partisan offices with no candidate filings during the regular filing period. [RCW 29A.24.181](#)
- 28..... **Legal Holiday – MEMORIAL DAY**. [RCW 1.16.050](#)
- 29..... **Candidate Statements** – Deadline to submit statements and photos for August Primary and November General Election. [WAC 434-381-120](#)
- 29..... **Measure Rebuttals** – Deadline to submit measure rebuttals for August Primary.

June

- 5..... **Candidate Videos** – Deadline to submit candidate videos for August Primary and November General Election.
- 5..... **Measure Videos** – Deadline to submit measure videos for August Primary.
- 23..... **Ballots Mailed** – Overseas and military ballots mailed, Online Ballot Access available for the August Primary. [RCW 29A.40.070](#)

July

- 4..... **Legal Holiday – INDEPENDENCE DAY**. [RCW 1.16.050](#)
- 9..... **Voter Registration** – Deadline for mail and online voter registration changes for the August Primary. [RCW 29A.08.140](#)
- 18-20 **Local Voters’ Pamphlet** – Official Kitsap County Local Voters’ Pamphlet mailed to all county households in the election. [RCW 29A.32.260](#)
- 18-20 **Ballots Mailed** – Ballots mailed for the August Primary. [RCW 29A.40.070](#)

Elections Calendar – 2018

- 20..... **Candidate Filing** – Final day to file for no fee as a write-in candidate for the August Primary. [RCW 29A.24.311](#)
- 20..... **Accessible Voting** – Accessible Voting Units available in County Auditor’s Office through the August Primary. [RCW 29A.40.160](#)
- 30..... **Voter Registration** – In-person registration deadline for voters not currently registered in Washington state for the August Primary. [RCW 29A.08.140](#)

August

- 6..... **Void in Candidacy** – Last day a void in candidacy causes that office to reopen filing for the November General Election. [RCW 29A.24.181](#)
- 7..... **PRIMARY** – [RCW 29A.04.311](#)
- 7..... **File a Resolution** – Last day to file a resolution for the November General Election. [RCW 29A.04.330](#)
- 7..... **Measure Arguments** – Deadline to appoint committees to draft arguments or notify Auditor’s Office if unable to appoint committees to draft arguments for the November General Election. [RCW 29A.32.280](#)
- 13..... **Measure Arguments** – Deadline to submit ballot measure arguments and committee contact information for November General Election. [WAC 434-381-120](#)
- 20..... **Measure Rebuttals** – Deadline to submit measure rebuttals for November General Election.
- 21..... **Certification of Primary** – August Primary is certified by counties. [RCW 29A.60.190](#)
- 24..... **Certification of Primary** – Final day for Secretary of State to certify returns of the August Primary. [RCW29A.60.240](#)
- 24..... **Certification of Candidates** – Final day for Secretary of State to certify state measures and candidates to appear on the November General Election ballot. [RCW 29A.60.240](#)
- 24..... **Candidate and Measure Videos** – Deadline to submit candidate and measure videos for November General Election .

September

- 3..... **Legal Holiday – LABOR DAY.** [RCW 1.16.050](#)
- 22..... **Ballots Mailed** – Overseas and military ballots mailed, Online Ballot Access available for the November General Election. [RCW 29A.40.070](#)

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October

- 8..... **Voter Registration** – Deadline for mail and online voter registration changes for the November General. [RCW 29A.08.140](#)
- 8..... **COLUMBUS DAY** – Post Offices are closed on this day.
- 17-19 **Local Voters’ Pamphlet** – Official Kitsap County Local Voters’ Pamphlet mailed to all county households.
- 17-19 **Ballots Mailed** – November General Election ballots mailed. [RCW 29A.40.070](#)
- 19..... **Candidate Filing** – Final day to file for no fee as a write-in candidate for the November General Election. [RCW 29A.24.311](#)
- 19..... **Accessible Voting** – Accessible Voting Units available in County Auditor’s Office through General Election. [RCW 29A.40.160](#)
- 29..... **Voter Registration** – In-person registration deadline for voters not currently registered in Washington state for November General Election. [RCW 29A.08.140](#)

November

- 6..... **GENERAL ELECTION** – [RCW 29A.04.321](#)
- 12..... **Legal Holiday – VETERANS’ DAY.** [RCW 1.16.050](#)
- 22..... **Legal Holiday – THANKSGIVING.** [RCW 1.16.050](#)
- 23..... **Legal Holiday.** [RCW 1.16.050](#)
- 27..... **Certification of General** – November General Election certified by counties. [RCW 29A.60.190](#)

December

- 6..... **Certification of General Election** – Final day for Secretary of State to certify returns of the November General Election. [RCW 29A.60.250](#)
- 14..... **File a Resolution** – Last day to file a resolution for the 2019 February Special Election. [RCW 29A.04.330](#)
- 25..... **Legal Holiday – CHRISTMAS DAY.** [RCW 1.16.050](#)

Voter Turnout Statistics

Ballots Cast and Voter Turnout – All vote by mail

Election	Registered Voters	Ballots Cast	Voter Turnout
2017 General	164,041	63,127	38.5%
Primary	161,590	42,070	26.0%
2016 General	166,501	130,503	78.4%
Primary	159,236	55,758	35.0%
2015 General	154,355	58,940	38.2%
Primary	119,104	26,781	22.5%
2014 General	154,462	86,551	56.0%
Primary	154,069	50,980	33.1%
2013 General	153,736	76,154	49.5%
Primary	93,964	26,051	27.7%
2012 General	152,681	125,351	82.1%
Primary	146,384	60,930	41.6%
2011 General	146,593	79,997	54.6%
Primary	48,713	15,196	31.2%
2010 General	143,796	105,747	73.5%
Primary	143,670	63,037	43.9%
2009 General	142,450	76,508	53.7%
Primary	119,565	27,265	22.8%
2008 General	144,690	125,881	87.0%
Primary	137,850	68,468	49.7%
2007 General	134,081	72,266	53.9%
Primary	32,032	10,672	33.3%
2006 General	133,484	91,073	68.2%
Primary	133,505	61,714	46.2%
2005 General	134,741	80,977	60.1%
Primary	134,921	60,956	45.2%

Voter Turnout History – Mail and Poll

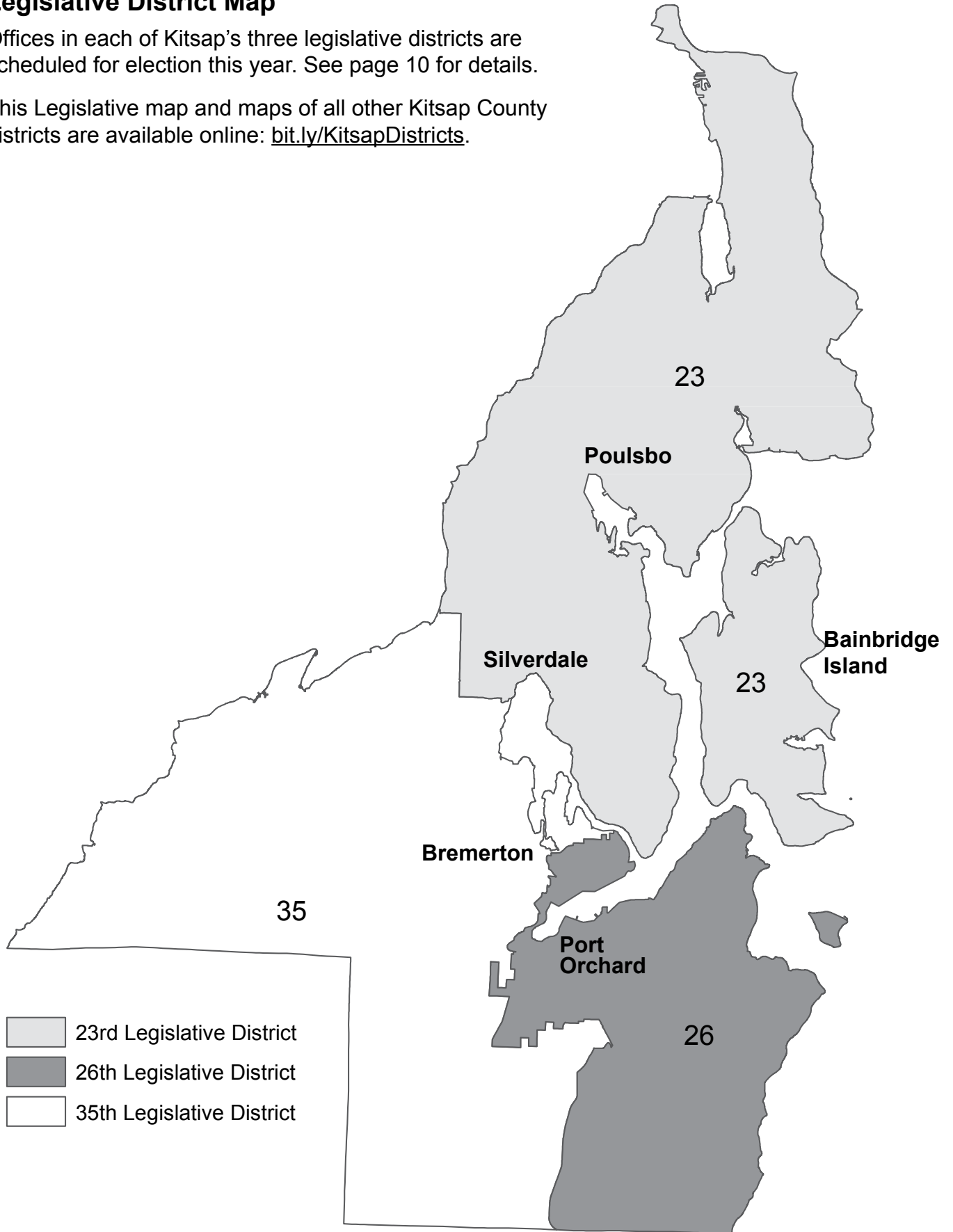
Election Year	Reg. Voters	Mail Ballots Cast	Poll Ballots Cast	Total Ballots Cast
2004 General	138,956	93,293 – 78.1%	26,165 – 21.9%	119,458 – 85.9%
Primary	131,008	58,476 – 86.0%	9,502 – 14.0%	67,978 – 51.9%
2003 General	125,228	55,392 – 86.5%	8,648 – 13.5%	64,040 – 51.1%
Primary	102,499	45,542 – 100%	Vote by Mail	45,542 – 44.4%
2002 General	125,344	62,146 – 78.7%	16,865 – 21.3%	79,011 – 63.0%
Primary	124,921	46,782 – 86.9%	7,058 – 13.1%	53,840 – 43.1%

Kitsap County District Maps

Legislative District Map

Offices in each of Kitsap's three legislative districts are scheduled for election this year. See page 10 for details.

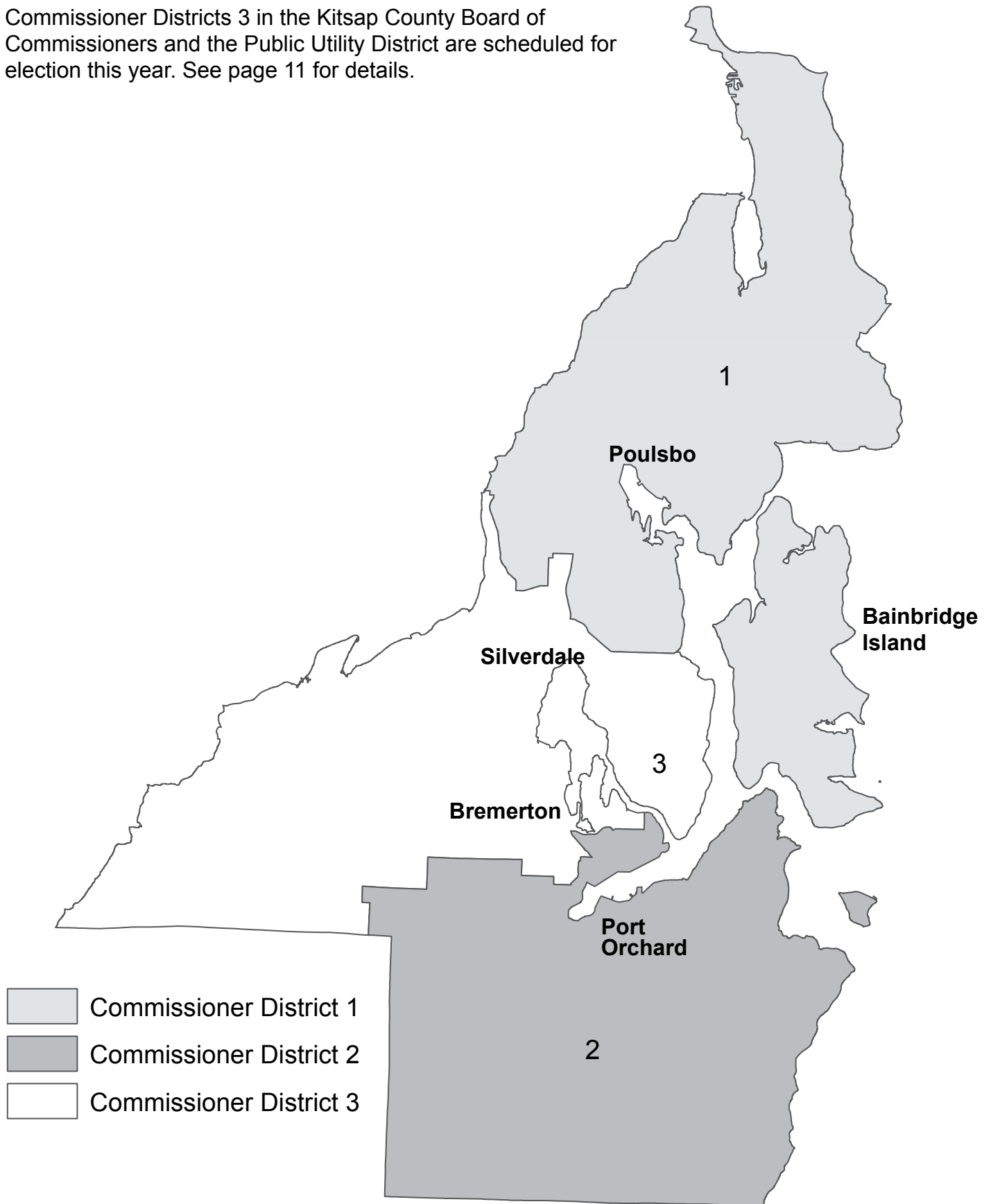
This Legislative map and maps of all other Kitsap County districts are available online: bit.ly/KitsapDistricts.



Kitsap County District Maps

County Commissioner and Public Utility District Map

Commissioner Districts 3 in the Kitsap County Board of Commissioners and the Public Utility District are scheduled for election this year. See page 11 for details.



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